REMARKS

By this paper, the only two remaining unallowed claims have been cancelled without prejudice to their being submitted in the future as a part of a continuing application. Submitted in their place are new claims 23 and 24 which depend from allowed claim 16 and thus are presumably likewise allowable.

It is believed that this paper is in full accordance with the spirit of Rule 116 and should place the application in condition for immediate allowance. Entry of this amendment and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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